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Attractive Bargains Added Daily.

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NOTE. We will receive a fresh 100 pounds of the 40c. Marshmallows in

\$1.50 Welt Gloves 81c. Pr.

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These are 4-button Stylish Real Kid Gloves, in the fashionable "reddishtan" shade, with white and fancy colored welts; those having the white welts being finished with white pearl buttons, and those having colored welt are finished with colored but-

Regular Price \$1.50 Our Price, 81c. Pr. Another

Ladies' Stylish \$10, \$12, \$15 & \$16 Coats for \$8.88.

1 lot of 105 Ladies' Stylishly Made Coats, Jackets and Reefers, in ker-seys, beavers, diagonals, cheviots, &c., in black, navy, brown and tan, with velvet collar, "Worth" and tan, with velvet collar, "Worth" and other flaring collars, pearl, cloth and bone buttons, tailor-bound or raw edges, extra large "balloon" sleeves, plain and fur tripfined; made to sell for \$10, \$12, \$15 and \$16.

Choice, \$8.88.

\$10, \$12 & \$15 Newmarkets Here \$6.23.

Very Stylish Newmarkets, in black, navy, tan and a variety of light and dark gray mixtures; also a few second-mourning styles. These are finished with military and triple cape and are especially desirable for shop-ping in inclement weather, being used

Regular Prices, \$10, \$12 & \$15. Only \$6.23 Ea.

\$5 & \$6.50 Chil= dren's Cloaks \$3.48

By taking all the manufacturer had

Here \$3.48.

\$2 Flannel

Waists \$1.68.

to offer Ladies' All-wool Flannel Waists, "balloon" sleeves, tucked yoke, in black, navy and cardinal, at 34c. less than ever before, viz:

Regular Price \$2. Our Price, \$1.68.

BON MARCHE, 314=3167th St.

McKnew's Daily Letter.

CHILDREN'S AND MISSES "Custom=Made" Coats and Cloaks.

Don't make the mistake of buying a "cheap," cottony coat or clock for your child. We positively refuse to handle them There is no satisfaction to either the seller or buyer. All of our Coats and Cloaks for misses and children are practically "custom made." Every single part is finished with scrupulous care and equal to the best cus-tom tailoring. You won't find a handsomer or more stylish line in the city, as many of them are made expressly for us in "styles" copied from the latest Parisian

conceits.

Note these two specials in each line, which give a fair hint as to the run of with the new "Worth" collar, trimmed with Hercules braid, stitched seams and finished with large fancy buttons, sizes 6 to 12 years. Such a Coat would sell elsewhere at \$10 or \$12.

OUR PRICE, \$8.75. EACH.
Children's and Misses' "Novelty" Mixed
Tan Long Cloaks, new slashed cape, balloon
sleeves, a very stylish and becoming Coat.
Sizes 4 6 8 10 12
Prices\$8.25 \$8.75 \$9.25 \$9.75 \$10.25

A SPECIAL IN COATS. Bear this in mind. You can rely upon the quality, style and fit of all Coats bought of us. Note this special: Ladies' Handsome Black Broadwale Cheviot Coat, having the cape, collar front and pockets edged with electric seal fur, just the coat you probably noticed advertised elsewhere at \$19.

HERE ONLY \$12,50 EACH.

NOVELTY" CAPES. Not only are our Capes vastly superior in every manner to those shown elsewhere, but our prices are lowest.

We offer an excellent Black Cheviot Cape, finished with the improved "Worth" collar and braided. Elsewhere, \$10. HERE ONLY \$8.50 EACH

A LITTLE NOISE IN GLOVES. We have on hand about three dozen odd 4-button and 6-button Mousquetaire Kid Gloves, black, white and colors, slightly imperfect. Prices were \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2. Tomorrow, 29c Pair.
Small lot of 4-button Kid Gloves, which

TOMORROW, 59c. PAIR,

THE "LATEST" IN RIBBONS No need to remind you of the fashionable-ness of "black and white effects" in Ribness of "black and white effects" in Rib-bons. We have a complete line of them in satin and gros grain, surah, satin and faille, &c., in the straight, diagonal and cross stripes. Specially desirable for mil-linery and dress trimmings, 2½ to 5 inches wide, 30c. to 60c. per yard. 5-inch Satin and Gros Grain Ribbon, the usual 50c. quality, only 42c. per yard.

W.H.McKnew 933 Pa. Ave.

LANSBURCH & BRO

Knocker.

OTHERS MAY BELL GLOVES, BUT WHO ELSE WILL GIVE YOU TWO BAR-\$1.25 Gloves for 89c.

STYLE I.

MADE OF EXCELLENT QUALITY PLIABLE KID, 4-BUTTON, ALL THE NEW COLORINGS, FANCY STITCHING.

\$1.25 Kid Gloves for 890.

STYLE II.

ENGLISH WALKING GLOVES, PIQUE STITCHING, EVERY PAIR GUARAN-

HOW TO RECOGNIZE

Good

Kid

Gloves.

They should be very elastic, if not, they will tear. Should be white inside, if not, will crock and are rotten, possibly dyed. Should be soft and pliant, if not, the skin Should be soft and pliant, if not, the skin inferior or are "back numbers."

Our \$1.25 for 80c. meets all requirements. "See window display," but prefer you handling the Glove. It gives you a better idea. You are not buying blindfolded. If the color don't suit you can return. If the size is, wrong, bring them back. If they wear bad, let's hear from you.

WE'RE OPEN Until 9 P.M. Tomorrow.

LANSBURGH & BRO.,

Downey's Is The Place

—not only to hire handsome, smart looking carriages with fine horses, the equal of which is to be found in but few private stables, but the place, also, to board your fine horses. Downey's is equipped with every facility and modern convenience, and horses are given that care and attention they should have—clean, dry stables, well ventilated, no ammonia, no draughts.—Downey's is a revelation to most persons. Only the best food used, served without a particle of dust, and horses thrive from the time they first enter Downey's.

The Whatever your horse wants are Downey's is the place to have them supplied satisfactorily.

Downey's, Lst. bet. 16th & 17th

LADIES FURNISHING THEIR OWN MATERIAL PARLORS, 1310 F st. n.w. Oc21-1m

WOODWARD ... LOTHROP

The Store is Vital With Intensity,

A Rare Quartet of Events Just Now. THE SILK SALE_THE DRESS GOODS SALE_

THE CURTAIN SALE THE LINEN SALE The Silk Story

Reads like romance. You might think it were if not within these columns. The facts are so great that a brief statement has created quick buying—comment is not needed. The Silks are from the auction sale of the Phoenix Manufacturing Company, held in New York October 18. We bought 120 pieces. We are selling them lower than they can be produced and sold for by the

THERE ARE CHANGEABLE AND OMBRE STRIPED AND BROCADED GLACE SURAHS, AND BLACK SURAHS AND GLACE TAFFETAS AND STRIPED GLACE TAFFETAS, &c., 19 TO 22 50, 55 AND 65c.

75c., To \$1.00.

The Dress Goods Story
Is of equal importance, and the sale enters upon its second day with the same fullness of value. It

25c. REGULAR RETAIL PRICE 371c. 29c. REGULAR RETAIL PRICE 50c. 37 c. REGULAR RETAIL PRICE 50c.

The brightness we've ever named

The curtain story.

Is made interesting by added attractions daily. Choice specimens of our own importation offered at lowered prices, and thousands of the Curtains—all of genuine worth—from the great peremptory trade sales of the Bromley and the Wilkesbarre Manufacturing Co.'s, at one-quarter to one-third less than the usual, together make this the most important Curtain sale in the history of the retail trade of Washington. It is augmented daily by such things as these.

Chenfile Table Covers, fine quality, rich coloring 81.25

The Linen Story Had as many readers as the Silk and the other stories. The general recognition of the supremacy

of this house in the Linen business is of long standing and is evidenced by the response to a Linen an-nouncement, it matters not when it is made. We've grown to expect this invariably—and we're always striving still further to merit it. Every sort of Linen is easier to buy today than for many a year past.

Whatever can be saved by large buying from the makers and by taking advantage of every op-portunity the market offers you can count on getting here.

For tomorrow 500 dozen German Huck Towels, hemmed, ready for use, very heavy, but soft

12tc. REGULAR RETAIL PRICE 1°C. 40c. REGULAR RETAIL PRICE 50c.

In Men's Store

HEAVY GRAY RIBBED SHIRTS AND DRAWERS

75c Instead Or \$1.00 A GARMENT.

Our Optical Department

manufacturer a big lot of NICKEL-PLATED STEEL-BOWED SPECTACLES, PERFECT LENSES. THEY GO AT

50c. THE REGULAR PRICE IS \$1.00.

Boys' Chinchilla Reefers.

MILLINERY DEPARTMENT. The 500 dozen French Felt Hats from the manufacturer came just at the proper time. All the olors and shapes of this season in a variety almost and milimited to select from.

A GENUINE FRENCH FELT FOR 45, 75 or 95c.

order to get them at a price.

THE USUAL PRICES ARE \$1.25, \$1.50 to \$2.25. 25 STYLES OF TRIMMED HATS

GO ON SALE AT \$3.50 FOR CHOICE. The very latest ideas cleverly carried out by our prists—the trimmings all choice and attractive. Sone of them would be dear at \$5.00. On table

THE NEWEST IN JABOTS. Made of Chiffon, with lace trimmings and ribbon (Women's Neckwear Dept.....lst floor, 1st annex.)

EMPIRE LAMP SHADE RUFFLING. The latest conceit for trimming lamp shades. It is ten muches wide, lined with any color of silk and refiled with embroidered chiffon, figured mousseline de sole, point d'Irelande or point applique lace. Colors—light blue, light pink, mais, cardinal, orange nile, black-and-yellow and black-and-cardinal. \$1.00

GLOVE DEPARTMENT.

CORSET DEPARTMENT. Now that our new fall lines of Corsets are all in place on sale tomorrow all broken lines at reduced prices. Included are the "I. C.," "C. P.," "P. N.,"

SHOE DEPARTMENT. Comparisons of goods are the only safe test of

Youths' Kangaroo Button Shoes, hand sewed.

HOSIERY DEPARTMENT. Just in-100 dozen Boys' Ironelad Bieyele Hose

CUT GLASS DEPARTMENT. Richly cut Salt and Pepper Shakers, heavily plated caps. Choice of three styles for.......45c Fine Baccarat Table Tumblers, choice of two

OPTICAL DEPARTMENT.

GIBLS JACKETS AND REFERS ONE OF THE MOST REMARKABLE WE'VE EVER

A striking exemplification of what ready cash weren't afraid of the quantity. Several lots of Jackets and Reefers, including a few imported one of a kind things just as good as when they re cently sold for twice as much. The owner chose to realize now. They go like this: A lot of All-wool Medium and Heavy Weight Jackets, tan, mavy blue and fancy mixtures, reefer cut, double breasted, large pearl or bone buttons Sizes 12, 14 and 16 years. Regular prices \$5 an and stylish mixed effects, some with large sailo collars and full bishop sleeves, others with ruffle prices \$10.50 and \$12.....\$3.50 A lot of Stylish Chevlot Jackets, plain, nav blue and brown mixed effects, some with plaited capes, others reefer style. Sizes 12, '14 and 16 &c., deep ruffle capes, Sizes 4 to 12 years—only one or two of each. Regular prices \$8 and \$0.75..\$5.00 A lot of Handsome Imported Novelty Cloth Jackets, lined throughout with changeable silk, large smoked pearl buttons. Regular price \$20....\$7.50 1 Very Stylish Imported Green Brond Cloth Reefer, Wattenu back, triple cape, full bishop sleeves, pearl buttons, entire Jacket lined with changeable silk. Size 10 years, Regular price 1 Imported Mixed Novelty Cloth Reefer, ful bishop sieves of handsome silk velvet, deep ruffle over shoulder, silk lined throughout. Size 6 years. Watteau back, full bishop sleeves of heavy faille silk, lined throughout with changeable silk. Size

8 years, Regular price \$15......\$7.5 UNIVERSAL MENDING TISSUE The most useful and greatest labor saving inveclothing, boots and shoes, rubber goods, kid gloves, umbrellas, etc. Positively without an equal. Pack-

INFANTS DEPARTMENT Good quality White Silk Caps, embroidered with with white slik, ribbon ties, pom-pon of lace and ruche around front, ribbon ties.................50c Good quality White Falile Silk Caps, embroidere with white silk, high pom-pon of lace and ri

with white silk, ribbon ties, pom-pen of lace and elaborately embroidered with cream slik, high full PRESSED GLASS DEPARTMENT.

Extra quality Thin Blown Table Tumbler

Ladies' Manieure Set, Rodgers make \$3.5

WOODWARD & LOTHROP. 10TH, 11TH AND F STREETS NORTHWES?.

FOR BAD COLDS. athms or any disorder of the Throat and Lungs, the best medicine is AYER'S CHERRY PECTORAL. I is the favorate anodyne with singers, actors, prea-

ers and teachers. "Some ten years ago I had a bad cold which settled on my lungs and was so ill as to be unable to work.

YER'S CHERRY PECTORAL, and in less than hree weeks I was cured. I am quite sure that this eparation saved my life."

M. T. POMEROY.

"I take pleasure in voluntarily stating that of all the medicines I ever used for fresh colds and is grippe AYER'S CHERRY PECTORAL is pre-aminently the most potent remedy. Ordinarily the most virulent cold vanishes in a night as if by magic. Follow the directions and AYER'S CHERRY PECTORAL wil do

> GEO. H. PIKE, Cadiz, Ky.

AYER'S CHERRY PECTORAL Prepared by Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass. PROMPT TO ACT, SURE TO OURE

FOR IMPURE OR THIN BLOOD, WEAKNESS Maiaria, Neuralgia, Indigestion and Billousness take Brown's Iron Bitters. It gives strength, making old persons teel young—and young persons to take.

WOODBURY'S FACIAL SOAP
For the Skin, Scalp and Complexion.
The result of 20 years' experience treating the Skin.
A book on Dermatology with each cake. All druggists. Also Woodbury's Antiseptic Shaving Sricks and Bars, Hair touic, and clear skin treatment.
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and use that old well-tried remedy, Mrs. Winsouthes the child, softens the guns, allays all
pain, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for
diarrhoea. Twenty-five cents a bottle. myl-ig.

"Sample" Chamber Suites.

'Prices Way Down'

Craig & Harding's. We have secured eight "sample" ufacturer's display line, bought at an especially low price and to be sold proportionately low. Only eight of them, er-one of each style-and if you wish to save from \$10 to \$50 and secure a magnificent Chamber Suite this is your

opportunity.

No. 801—One Solid Oak Heavy Chamber Suite, dresser has double top drawer, finished with 24 by 30 beveled mirror,

OUR PRICE..... \$20 No. 450-One Fine Curly Birch Chamber Suite, large French beveled plate mir-ror, neatly carved, cast brass trim-

REGULAR PRICE..... \$42.50 Our PRICE \$31.50 No. 640-One Massive Extra High

Solid Oak Chamber Suite, extra large French beveled plate mirror, being 30 by 36 in., handsomely carved. Suite that will last a lifetime. REGULAR PRICE...... \$68.50

OUR PRICE...... \$49.50) No. 1541-Handsome Solid Natural Cherry "Cheval" Chamber Suite, large French beveled plate mirror, attractively carved, constructed in the finest

Regular Price \$90 No. 15274 Exquisite Natural Veht Curly Birch "Cheval" Chamber Suite, "odd" shape French beveled plate mir-

REGULAR PRICE...... \$110 Our Price...... \$80 No. 822—One Exquisite White Bird Eye Maple Chamber Suite, 54-in. French dresser, finished with 34 by 36 beveled French plate mirror, very handsomely carved and finely constructed.

REGULAR PRICE..... \$115 Our Price \$77.50 No. 602—One Very Handsome Light Natural Curly Birch Chamber Suite,

with French dressing case and "odd" shape French beveled plate mirror, very REGULAR PRICE..... \$110

Our Price..... No. 451-One Magnificent Red Curly Birch French Dressing Case Chamber Sulte, very large, handsome, odd-shaped French beveled plate mirror, attractive cast brass triumings and equal in con-

REGULAR PRICE......\$200 OUR PRICE.......\$132.50

Bear in mind that we have but one of each of these suites, and as these prices should certainly cause their instant sale

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Cor. 13th & F Sts.

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Filters. JEWETT'S FROM \$4.75 TO \$13. NATURAL STONE FILTERS, \$3.25 TO \$12. M. W. Beveridge, POTTERY, PORCELAIN AND GLASS,

What Do

POLICEMEN WANTED.

Major Moore Asks for Additions to His Force.

HIS ANNUAL REPORT SUBMITTED

Marked Improvement in the Efficiency of the Department.

RELIEF FUND EXHAUSTED.

The last fiscal year is recorded in the police annals of the District as one which showed a marked increase in the efficiency of the department. Maj. Moore submitted his annual report to the Commissioners to

At the close of the fiscal year, he says the effective police force doing patrol duty throughout the District of Columbia was

allowed to be retained by such member, shall be paid to the treasurer of the board of police, unless otherwise appropriated by the board," and with "all moneys arising from the sale of unclaimed goods shall constitute the 'policemen's fund." The board of police were made the trustees of this fund and empowered to invest it as they should see fit. The same law provided that "whenever any member of the police force, in the actual discharge of his duty, shall become actually disabled his necessary expenses during the time of such disability, on the certificate of a competent surgeon, should be charged upon the policemen's fund, but the board may discontinue such allowance for any satisfactory reason. This law being incomplete in that it made no allowance for officers who might be discharged on account of permanent disability incurred in the line of duty, the following provision was incorporated into the act making appropriations for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June and the processor of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June and the processor of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June and the processor of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June and the processor of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June and the processor of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June and the processor of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June and the processor of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June and June 200 a

have been made upon the recommendation of an impartial board, composed of
the captain of police and two lieutenants.
These allowances vary from the maximum
of \$50 to the minimum of \$10 per month,
and an examination of the papers submitted to the accounting officers of the
government in each case will reveal the
fact that the highest pension was given
only to those by whom it had been justly
earned. Physical condition, cause of disability, length and kind of service were
taken into consideration, the evidence of
the police surgeon who attended the applicant during his active career or at the
time his disability occurred, furnishing the
principal basis for the award.

In the eight years which have elapsed since
the law went into effect but nineteen policemen have been granted the maximum of
\$50, while one has been allowed \$40, four \$30
and five \$25 per month; one widow has been

\$50, while one has been allowed \$40, four \$30 and five \$25 per month; one widow has been given \$30, three \$25 and twenty-six \$20 per month; thirty-two dependent children have been awarded \$10 a month until they should reach the age of sixteen years. During this time twenty-nine policemen, thirty widows and thirty-two children have been benefited—a yearly average of eleven persons, thirty per cent of whom were policemen and sixty per cent widows and children of deceased members.

These details are given in view of the present condition of the police fund.

Payments Exceed Receipts. During the fiscal year 1890, for the first ine, the payments exceeded the receipts. since then the monthly requisitions have steadily increased, resulting in a reduction of the securities in 1891 of \$3,787.06; in 1892 of \$7,337.87, and in 1893 of \$10,899.31. This state of affairs will cause a deficiency for the current year of \$3,943.50, which added to the amount of the present roll, \$20,500, will necessitate an appropriation for

\$20,500, will necessitate an appropriation for the next fiscal year of \$24,463.50. This estimate is reached by aggregating the average amount awarded in each individual case during any one of the past eight years, and is based upon an addition of eleven to the pension roll, with an allowance of four funeral expenses of policemen dying in the service of the District.

In calling attention to this subject in my annual report dated July 1, 1889, it was suggested that the amount required to continue in effect the law of February 25, 1885, could be allowed from the receipts from fines imposed by the Police Court in District cases, which during the year just ended reached \$40,167.75.

The Work of the Year.

The Work of the Year. The largest number of cases recorded in the police department of this District since its organization was made during the fiscal year 1893-27,245, of which 12,674 were white What Do
You Drink?

If French Drip Coffee, you should drop in and see the "Acme" French Drip Coffee Pot. A teaspoofful of powere held upon a preliminary examination for further hearing and disposition. The year previous 17,964 were held upon a preliminary examination for further hearing and disposition. The year just closed therefore shows an increase in the number of such cases of 581. This may be ascribed to the appointment of an additional number of policemen, the average augmentation of population and strangest yet—only 35c.

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Government of the courts of the law year just closed therefore shows an increase in the number of population and additional number of population and more zealous work on the part of the officers. That a more satisfactory and commendable interest has been taken by the force in apprehending violators of the law is best indicated by the fact that in 1882 the total losses reported to the police from all sources, including stolen and mislaid every glass of impure water you drink. The gentine only manufactured by Dr. Siesiert & Siesier and 14,571 colored. Of the whole number

WE CANNOT SPARE

healthy flesh - nature never burdens the body with too much sound flesh. Loss of flesh usually indicates poor assimilation, which causes the loss of the best that's in food, the fat-forming element.

of pure cod liver oil with hypophosphites contains the very essence of all foods. In no other form can so much nutrition be taken and assimilated. Its range of usefulness has no limitation where weakness exists.

Prepared by Scott & Bowne. Chemista. New York. Sold by all druggists.

At the close of the fiscal year, he says, the effective police force doing patrol duty throughout the District of Columbia was depleted not only by the usual number of sick and disabled members, but furthermore to the extent of forty-six men, whose services were demanded in different locations of the city for post duty.

These details seriously impair the effectiveness of the department as a whole, yet, in the absence of any other provision for the performance of the duties to which they are assigned, there is no other recourse left in the premises. As a consequence he has settimated for ten more privates of class 1, involving an additional expenditure of \$10,000 per annum, and ten more privates of class 2, which would require a further expenditure of \$10,000. While the proposed, increase is not equal to the number detailed for post duty, and is twelve less than that asked for by the lieutenants in command of precincts, the department feels assured that it would be enabled to secure a much more satisfactory condition of affairs were the force aided by this small accession. The efficiency of the force is also weakened by the daily requirement of the services of its members as prosecuting witnesses of the proposed of the police force which arrests of offenses as invariably those cuity of the police judges could be determined at the several station houses such day at an early hour, thereby enabling the officers needed any to see the police force which arrests of the police judges could be inhumanely overcrowded.

The Pepolice Pension Fund.

The propose of the police force by way of discipline and collectable from pay or salary and all rewards, fees, proceeds of first and emoluments that may be paid and given for extraordinary services of any the policy of the police force, except when allowed to be retained by such members of the police force, except when allowed to be retained by such member of the police force, except when allowed to be retained by such member of the police force, in the safe of the police force

collowing provision was incorporated into the act making appropriations for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1888, approved February 25, 1885.

That hereafter the Commissioners shall deduct one dollar each month from the pay of each policeman, which sum so deducted shall be added to and form a part of the present police fund, to be invested in United States, and be held by him subject to the drafts of the Commissioners for expenditures made in pursuance of law, and such expenditures shall be accounted for as required by law for other expenditures of the District.

And said police fund shall be used for the relief of any policeman who, by injury received or disease contracted in line of duty, or having served not less than fiften years, shall become so permanently disabled as to be discharged from service therefor; and in case of his death from such injury or disease, leaving a widow or children under sixteen years, for their relief; provided further, that such relief shall not exceed for any one policeman or his family the sum of fifty dollars per month, and a sum not exceeding seventy-five dollars may be allowed from said fund: to defray the funeral expenses of any policeman or his family the sum of fifty dollars per month, and a sum not exceeding seventy-five dollars may be allowed from said fund: to defray the funeral expenses of any policeman or his family the sum of fifty dollars per month, and a sum not exceeding seventy-five dollars may be allowed from said fund: to defray the funeral expenses of any policeman or his family the sum of fifty dollars per month, and a sum not exceeding seventy-five dollars may be allowed from said fund: to defray the funeral expenses of any policeman or his family the sum of fifty dollars per month, and as at the time of its passage, this department. Since then ninety-one allowances have been made upon the recommendation of an impartial board, composed of the capation of solice. They crowd the station of solice.

appear to the ponce. They crowd the sta-tion houses at times, and are grateful for the smallest pittance. A pound of flour and bushel of coal go a long way with the starving, shivering, half-ciad old woman who lives in an alley garret. Those most dependent in the District are the colored people, to whose numbers the contiguous states of Maryland and Virginia largely contribute. Neutrished in medicate climes contribute. Nourished in moderate clime they soon collapse under the vicissitudes of a cold winter.

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Food and fuel were distributed in the same systematic manner as has characterized this work for years. Those deserving were given orders on some grocery or wood yard, over the signature of the lieutenant in whose precinct the applicants resided. These orders were receipted by the applicants after obtaining the goods, and the accumulated orders and accounts were presented to the department for payment at the close of each month.

The ability to afford the extensive relief den.anded by the suffering poor throughout the winter is due to the press and public, who responded so promptly and effectually to the appeal for aid. Those employed in the various executive departments were especially zealous in making collections of groceries, clothing and money, and it is with a feeling of profound pride that the superintendent returns his thanks to so generous and charitable a community for the confidence imposed in the police department.

Resides the 5713 orders issued for the

partment.

Besides the 6,713 orders issued for the foregoing supplies, 4,213 orders were given for groceries, fuel and cash against the fund, representing relief afforded to about 54,630 persons. The contributions amounted to \$8,319.89 and the expenditures to \$7,086.05, leaving a balance on hand of \$1,233.84.

The Ford's Theater Disaster The most disastrous calamity that eve befel the city occurred on the morning of June 9, when a portion of the second and third floors of the Ford Theater building. occupied by the clerks of the record and fell without warning, killing over a score of faithful government servants and maiming many more. The news of the disaster spread like wildfire throughout the city The police were promptly upon the scene, the entire reserve was called out, and all the ambulances and wagons at the department's command were put into service.

Policemen and firemen. District labor gangs and volunteers worked with willing hands to rescue the wounded and hands to rescue the wounded and recover the bodies of the dead; troops and ambu-lances from the Washington barracks and Fort Myer were present by order of the Acting Secretary of War; and many mem-bers of the medical profession, including

surgeons from the army and navy, ap peared and proffered their services for the